

TARZAN OF THE APES

THE THRILLING ADVENTURES OF A PRIMEVAL MAN AND AN AMERICAN GIRL

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SYNOPSIS. John Clayton, Lord Grey's son, embarked on his young life on the barkentine ship...

(CHAPTER VI—Continued.) Of course he had never before seen a...

So what wonder that the little boy was quite at a loss to guess the meaning of...

He put the book back in the cupboard and closed the door, for he did not want...

So close was he that there was no chance for flight and little Tarzan knew...

He knew no fear, as we know it; his little heart beat the faster but from the excitement and exhilaration of adventure...

But the boy had learned in that brief second a use for his sharp and shining...

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the ink jungle to where the tribe lay, and for many days and nights she had...

Of medicine or surgery the poor thing knew nothing. She could not lick the wounds...

At first Tarzan would eat nothing, but rolled and tossed in a wild delirium of fever...

With the stolidism of the brutes who had raised him he endured his suffering quietly...

CHAPTER VII THE LIGHT OF KNOWLEDGE After what seemed an eternity to the little sufferer...

So early one morning he set forth alone upon his quest. After a little search he located the clean-piled bones of his late adversary...

In another moment he was at the cabin, and after a short time he again threw the latch and entered. His first concern was to learn the mechanism of the lock...

He found that he could close and lock the door from within, and this he did so that there would be no chance of his being molested while at his investigations...

He commenced a systematic search of the cabin; but his attention was soon riveted by the books which seemed to exert a strange and powerful influence over him...

Among the other books were a primer, some children's readers, numerous picture books, and a great dictionary. All of these he examined, but the pictures caught his fancy most...

He worked so assiduously with this new toy that the table top was soon a mass of scrawly loops and irregular lines...

He would attempt to reproduce some of the little bugs that scrawled over the pages of his books.

By a diligent study, for he held the pencil as one would grasp the hilt of a dagger, which does not add greatly to ease in writing nor to the legibility of the results.

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One day when he was about 12 he found a number of lead pencils in a hitherto undiscovered drawer beneath the table, and in scratching upon the table top with one of them he was delighted to discover the black line it left behind it.

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No longer did he feel shame for his hairless body or his human features, for now his reason told him that he was of a different race from his wild and hairy companions.

There they were, the three little bugs which always accompanied the little ape. And so he progressed very, very slowly, for it was a hard and laborious task which he had set himself without knowing it—a task which might seem to you or me impossible—learning to read without having the slightest knowledge of letters or written language...

And now he had discovered in the text on the page that these three were repeated many times in the same sequence. Another fact he learned—that there were comparatively few individual bugs; but these were repeated many times, occasionally alone, but more often in company with others.

Slowly he turned the pages, scanning the pictures and the text for a repetition of the combination b-o-y. Presently he found it beneath a picture of another little ape and a strange animal which resembled him not like the jackal and jack rabbit, but like himself. Beneath this picture the bugs appeared as:

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the active intelligence of a healthy mind endowed by inheritance with more than ordinary reasoning powers he slowly guessed at much which he could not really understand, and more often than not his guesses were close to the mark of truth.

There were many breaks in his education, caused by the migratory habits of his tribe, but even when removed from recourse to his books his active brain continued to search out the mysteries of his fascinating avocation.

Pieces of bark and flat leaves and even smooth stretches of bare earth provided him with copy books whereon to scratch with the point of his hunting knife the lessons he was learning.

Nor did he neglect the sterner duties of life while following the bent of his inclination toward the solving of the mystery of his library.

He practiced with his rope and played with his sharp knife, which he had learned to keep keen by whetting upon flat stones.

The tribe had grown larger since Tarzan had come among them, for under the leadership of Kerchak they had been able to frighten the other tribes from their part of the jungle so that they had plenty to eat and little or no loss from predatory incursions of neighbors.

Hence the younger males as they became adult found it more comfortable to take wives from their own tribe, as if they captured one of another tribe in bringing her back to Kerchak's band and live in amity with him rather than attempt to set up a new establishment of their own, or fight with the redoubtable Kerchak for supremacy at home.

(CONTINUED TOMORROW.)

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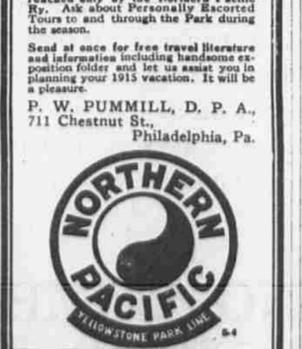
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